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KEEPING CHIP FAMILIES INFORMED

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HANDY TIPS...

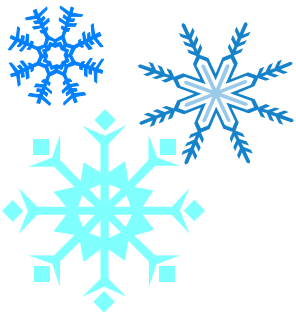
GETTING CARE FOR YOUR CHILD

- ✓ See your medical and dental providers when your child is sick and for well child care. Everyone needs a well child checkup at least once a year—even teenagers! CHIP pays for check-ups and there's no co-payment.
- ✓ Use the hospital emergency room only for life-threatening situations.
- ✓ Call ahead when your child needs an appointment to see a CHIP medical or dental provider. When you call be sure to tell them that your child has CHIP.
- ✓ Show your CHIP ID card when your child needs medical care, dental care or prescription drugs.
- ✓ Pay your provider the co-payment (if required) when your child receives services.
- ✓ Call your provider if you are going to be late or can't keep an appointment
- ✓ Please call us if you have questions or need more information.

BlueCHIP Customer Service
1-800-447-7828 ext. 8647

OR

CHIP office
1-877-543-7669





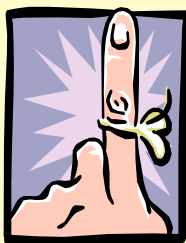
PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU MOVE

Reporting your new address saves us postage and staff time. If we don't have a current address for you, your child's CHIP benefits may end.

Just give us a call at:
1-877-543-7669 (toll free)



DON'T FORGET



Use your insurance.

Children eligible for CHIP are covered until they turn 19.




CHIP RENEWAL MADE EASY!

No, you are not dreaming! Keeping insurance is just as important as getting insurance for your children. We have made the process easier by using the information you have already provided to CHIP in your previous application. The new renewal application is only three pages!

The first page is printed with information taken from your previous application. You are asked to review this information and correct anything that has changed or is incorrect.

The second part of the application is a two sided form requesting information that must be verified each year. This section covers any new people living in the household, paid dependent care, and financial information.

To make sure your renewal application is processed without delay, here are just a few reminders:

-  **Documentation** - The instructions will tell you when and what type of documentation is needed.
-  **Sign** - You must sign this application at the bottom of page three.
-  **Send** - We will include a self-addressed envelope. We need to receive the application and documentation by the date at the top of page so we can determine if your child's CHIP coverage will continue.

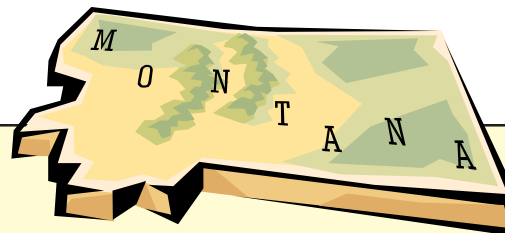
MONTANA KIDS PAGE

A fun and educational web site for kids to visit is the Discovering Montana Kid's Page. It can be found at www.montanakids.com.

Kids will learn about Montana's plants, wildlife and state symbols.

Print out pages to color, word searches, mazes and many other puzzles. There are also puzzles and games to play online.

Learn about Lewis and Clark, and other facts about Montana such as....



Did you realize that Montana has the shortest river in the world? The [Roe River](#) in Great Falls.

Did you know that Montana holds the world record for the [greatest temperature change in 24 hours?](#) A whopping 100 degrees in Browning!

Did you know that Helena became [the capital](#) of the State only after a very suspicious and controversial election?

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Children's Health Insurance Plan
(CHIP)

Toll Free

1-877-543-7669

(1-877-KIDSNOW)



CHIP Web Site Address
www.insurekidsnow.gov
Select Montana



CHIP Email Address
chip@state.mt.us



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